

## **ROBERT R. MOTON HOUSE**

**Off Rural Route 662, Capahosic**

In 1935, Robert Russa Moton retired to Holly Knoll, a large 2½-story Georgian Revival house on the York River, and spent the remaining five years of his life there. A nationally prominent black educator, Moton was chosen to succeed Booker T. Washington as principal of Tuskegee Institute in 1915. During the next 20 years he transformed the institute from a vocational and agricultural school to a fully accredited collegiate and professional institution. “Major Moton,” as he was called, was also a founder of the National Urban League. He received the Harmon Award in Race Relations in 1930 and the Spingarn Medal in 1932. Holly Knoll is now operated as an executive conference center.